



By the King.

¶ A Proclamation for all Captaines, Masters, and Officers of Ships,
and Mariners, which are to serue in the Kings Fleete, to make their
present repaire to *Portesmouth*.



Hereas the Kings most Excellent MAIESTY, for many weighty
and important reasons, hath prepared a Royall Fleete, which is now
ready to set to Sea, and is there to be imployed on such designes, as His
Maiestie (by the aduice of his Counsell of warre) hath specially direc-
ted, for the honour and safety of this Realme, and other His Maie-
sties Dominions, and the delay of time may be dangerous to the good
successe of the whole Action: His Maiestie therefore (by the aduice of
his priuie Counsell) doth hereby straitly charge and command all Cap-
taines, Masters, and Officers, and all Mariners, entertained or ap-
pointed to serue in any of the Ships, Dynaces, or other vessels belong-
ing to His Maiesties said Fleete, now intended to be set to Sea, presently to make their repaire
to *Portesmouth*, and there to apply themselves to their seuerall Charges, vpon paine of His Ma-
iesties highest indignation, and of the seuerest penalties and punishments, which either by the
Lawes, or by His Maiesties Royall Prerogative, may bee inflicted on them.

And His Maiestie doth further straitly charge and command all Maiors, Sheriffes, Just-
ices of Peace, and all other His Officers and louing Subiects, to whom it may appertaine, to
cause diligent search to be made for the discovering and apprehending of all such Officers & Mari-
ners, which should serue in any of those Ships, and shall withdraw or absent themselves from
their service, (if notice shall be giuen vnto them, or any of them, of any such base and vnworthy
persons) and that vpon the apprehending of them, they giue present notice therof to the Judge of
the Admiralty, that due proceeding may be had against all such offenders according to the Law.

Giuen at His Maiesties Court at White-Hall the seuen and twentieth day of August, in the second yeere of
His Maiesties Reigne of Great Britaine, France and Ireland.

God saue the King.

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